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## General News

Mrs. Sarah LeCompte, 80 years old, died at Lexington on the 15th.

A memorial to the late Prof. J. G. White was held in Lexington last Thursday.

The Progressive party has organized and selected a party committee for McCreary county.

The Bank of Commerce, of Lexington, has increased its capital from \$100,000 to \$150,000.

The Ashland District Educational Association will meet in Winchester on October 24th and 25th.

Natural gas has been found in Grant county on Eagle Creek, about ten miles west of Williams-town.

A two year old colored child at Paris, while handling a pistol was accidentally shot and instantly killed.

Gov. McCreary has appointed November 6th as Arbor Day. All citizens are requested to plant trees.

Sen. Ollie M. James has been invited to Covington, Ky., to speak Nov. 1st, in the interest of the Democratic party.

Clarence Judy of near Mt. Sterling, Ky., died Monday night at Fargo, N. D. The body has been brought to Mt. Sterling for interment.

John Boreing, son of former congressman, Vincent Boreing, of London, who is now in Louisville for medical treatment, is slowly improving.

A suit has been filed at Louisville by the brother and sister of Lewis P. Ewald, known as the Iron King, to break his will. The estate is valued at \$4,000,000.

Bishop Maes, of Covington, confirmed a class of 43 boys and girls at the church of Annunciation in Paris, Ky. The ceremony was witnessed by a very large crowd.

Forty-nine bodies of miners have been recovered from the wrecked colliery at Cardiff, Wales, but all hope is abandoned of rescuing twenty-nine others.

The United Mine Workers of America and about 6000 people attended a barbecue at Anderson lake at Madisonville, on October 15th. The procession of workers was about one mile long, and 2000 farmers and miners were in the line of march.

The one hundred and twelfth annual meeting of the Synod of Kentucky convened at the second Presbyterian church in Lebanon last Tuesday, the Rev. E. E. Smith, of Owensboro, opened the session. The Rev. Shive of Paris, was chosen as Moderator.

Mrs. W. H. Jenkins of Bowling Green, Ky. was taken from a passenger train at Fort Smith, Ark., charged with kidnapping her children from a catholic convent near Tulsa, Okla. She admits that she took the children and claims that she is entitled to their possession.

The L. & N. Railroad filed a suit in the Fayette Circuit Court against the Western Union Telegraph Co., for \$672,962.95 which they claim is due them for the use of telephone poles, wires and equipment from the 17th of August to December 1st, 1912. The lease of the poles and wires by the Telegraph company expired on the 17th day of August, and pending the litigation, the Telegraph company re-leased the poles and wires and this suit is to recover the rental value.

## SALARY GRABBERS

**You Will Hear the Voice of the People On This Question.**

An inspection of the records of the Madison Fiscal Court will disclose the startling fact that the city officers are not the only salary grabbers in this fair land. There are others. Although the county officers were nominated at the county primary without any suggestion from them that they were not satisfied with the order of things in Madison county, especially in so far as it related to the question of salaries, some of them have, with a peculiar haste, rushed to the Fiscal court and demanded large increases in the stated salaries of their offices. Heading the list comes the County Judge, (who did not utter a word during the campaign about the insufficiency of the salary of \$1250 which he had been paid for the four years previous, and in addition to that, \$360 for clerk hire) who demanded the sum of \$1500 as a salary for the next County Judge for the ensuing term of four years. The Fiscal Court divided equally on the proposition and His Honor settled the matter by voting the increase to himself. The members voting for the increase are Judge Rice, Judge Dykes, Squire Burgin and Squire Hackett. Voting against, were Todd, Hazelwood, Long and Taylor. The County Judge got his salary increased by his own vote.

The newly nominated County Superintendent of Schools allowed no man to display greater alacrity than he in asking for an increase in salary from \$1250 a year to \$1500, but this was not sustained.

The road Supervisor also made hasty tracks, and long strides to the salary raising port, and demanded a raise from \$1250 to \$1500, and this raise was sustained, but there is a proposition to employ an assistant with the additional \$250.

A brief resume of the County Judges is as follows: In the time of Judge Turpin the salary was \$1250, and Judge Turpin had all the very burdensome road business to look after. Since then all of the road business has been transferred from that office to the office of road engineer, which rids the County Judge's office of a great deal of drudgery. Notwithstanding the fact that the County Judge's office is now rid of all the annoying road work, still the salary of the County Judge has been increased during the present incumbent's term of office, from the sum of \$1250 per year, up to \$1860 per year in the following way: To the County Judge proper, \$1500; to his stenographer and clerk of the quarterly court, \$360.

Thieves stole four fat hogs from Col. John Cunningham, at Econdida in Bourbon County Kentucky, and a reward of \$50 had been offered for their capture.

Our new compositors, Misses Norris, Hamilton and Grinstead, are learning rapidly and we hope to be out on time hereafter. We have been sorely tried for the last two months by many mishaps.

## An Old Paper

One of the most interesting relics in the newspaper line that has come to our notice outside of the public museums, is a paper that was handed to us by Mr. William Smith on Second Street of this city. It is the St. Louis Enquirer, dated Sept. 1st, 1819. On the front page of this paper is the name of Isaac Shelby, Danville, Ky. This paper has been in possession of Mr. Smith some thirty or forty years, and has been carefully preserved. It is a five column folio, and the entire front page is given to advertising matter, and nearly all of the rest of the paper as for that matter. It has some interesting matters in relation to Mexico under the head lines, "Spanish America," the beginning of which reads as follows: "It is understood that commissioners from the republicans of Mexico are now at the seat of the general government. They have come to ask from us what we asked from Louis XVI in our own struggle for liberty," etc.

The paper will be kept on exhibition at our office for some time.

## SMALL CATCH

**The Grand Jury Apparently Following Copy.**

### IMPORTANT INDICTMENTS.

The grand jury which was empanelled the first day of the court has been making good progress in the investigation of crime in this county, and last Wednesday they returned to the court a list of indictments as follows to-wit: Sidney Winkler, murder, Harry Campbell, detaining a female, Sebert Wilburn, house breaking, William Tisdale, malicious cutting, Joe Powell, malicious shooting, John Tevis, grand larceny, Wesley Kidwell, malicious shooting, Kirt Terrill, house breaking and Paul Johnson, house breaking.

The grand jury investigated the bribery charges and so far have returned indictments against the following persons: Fred Devore, Charles Benton, Charles Dudley, John Jones, Schuyler Taylor, Collins Yates, T. B. Collins, A. L. Lake, Jim Shackelford, Jim Potts, John Wagers and M. H. Wells charging them with receiving money to be used in the election. It has adjourned until Thursday.

## INTEREST UNABATED

**Dr. Quisenberry Preached to Large Crowd at Opera House.**

The audience that greeted Dr. Quisenberry last Sunday night at the Opera House, taxed the capacity of the building. His sermon was on "The Young Man in Business," and the way he handled it was beautiful, impressive and of lasting benefit to the people.

These sermons are popular, have touched a tender chord in the heart of the people and will bring forth a beautiful harvest of good deeds.

His next sermon will be on "The Young Man in Society."

At the examining trial of Mrs. Emma Eversole, charged with killing her husband, M. C. Eversole, at Typole on September 20. The defendant was held to the circuit court without bail.

## DEMONSTRATION

**Of Electrical Appliances Galore.**

**FOLLOWED BY A BANQUET.**

The Kentucky Utilities Company gave a demonstration at their office on Second Street, this city on last Wednesday, of the practical domestic uses to which the electrical current could be put. The demonstration was in charge of Mr. F. W. Pawling, Heating Specialist of the General Electric Co., H. S. Gilhams, of the Westinghouse Company, N. R. Chase, Illuminating Expert of the General Electric Co., C. J. Eaton Commercial Manager of the Kentucky Utilities Co., W. S. Glass, Solicitor of the Kentucky Utilities Co., and the local agent, G. T. Bogard and Miss Nettie Hicks. The display was an exceedingly attractive one and imparted much valuable information to those who attended. One feature of the demonstration was a guessing contest at the number of electric bulbs on display in the show window of the office. There were 1763 guesses made, ranging all the way from 167 to 900, the favorite guess being 375. The actual count, which occurred at night, gave the number as 365, and five persons had guessed that number the fortunate ones being Miss Bessie Miller, Mrs. E. W. Walker, Mr. G. G. Corzelius, Mr. Walter Parks and Mr. Gordon Parrish. The successful guessers not being present at the count, the choice between them was deferred until Saturday morning, at which time they met and drew for their presents.

Another very enjoyable feature of the occasion was the banquet given at night by the Company to the Editors of the city, the four papers being represented as follows: The Register by Editor Pickels, The Climax by Dr. White, The Pantagraph by Mr. Smith and the Madisonian by Mr. Lilly. Mrs. Smith, wife of editor Smith and Mrs. Lilly, wife of our editor, Mrs. Bogard and Miss Doty were guests. The menu, which was cooked on electrical appliances in the presence of the guests was delightful, and the evening was greatly enjoyed.

The five persons who guessed the exact number of bulbs, met at the office of the Kentucky Utilities Company, and the prizes were distributed. Editor E. B. Smith drew for the parties, and Walter Parks was awarded the percolator, Miss Bessie Miller the iron, Mrs. Eugene Walker, Gordon Parrish and G. G. Corzelius, each a toaster.

All of these appliances were of the latest pattern and handsomely finished.

Electricity for domestic purposes is not in its infancy as many presume, but is an established fact and applied to an infinite variety of purposes. The day current has settled the question, and in all localities where such current can be obtained, electricity will gradually supersede the old methods. In fact a bachelor can now carry his kitchen with him, attach it to an electric socket, cook his dinner, throw the paper napkins and wooden dishes away, and get along reasonably well without a "fair one."

And my lady is no longer a slave. She can sweep the floors, cook the dinner, run the machine talk "gown" over the phone, all at the same time. Then she can push a button, call down her aeroplane, and make one hundred card visits during the noon hour

and, returning can take a nap with an electric fan gently purring, wafting a zephyr breeze over her and then when hubby returns from the office, tired and worn out, she can put him in an insulated chair, give him an electric tonic for his spinal column, rub his head with an electric massage, and read the latest novel all the while. After he has prepared his supper and smoked a cigar lighted by an electric match, the tinabulations of an electric bell, warn him that it is time to say "Now I lay me down to sleep" and he is soon ensconced in pajamas ironed by an electric iron. Touching an electric button his folding bed glides from its niche in the wall, he jumps in, rams his feet against an electric warmer and soon is in the sweet elysian fields of dreamland. Then his wife comes in, places an electric kicker next to him, which is so delicately tuned that at the first loud snore a switch is thrown and it kicks him till he stops snoring. Promptly at five in the morning an electric gong sounds, arousing him from his kicks and slumber and then the electric grabber, grabs him and throws him out of bed to get breakfast, after which he has the delectable privilege of walking down town through the mud and slush to the office to begin it all over again.

Yes, this is an age of electricity, but there is one thing that it has not yet improved—the five finger coin extractor still works well.

## R. K. STONE

**Will Make the Race for Mayor.**

Mayor Samuel Rice will have to go up against R. K. Stone and explain to the voters why his memory was bad and why he did not think about raising the salary from \$250 up to \$900 before the primary. They are anxious to know and they will know.

Mr. Stone represents a large number of voters. He is a self made man and stands high in this city.

## Claimed by Death

The grim reaper visited the home of Mr. Harvey Cobb of this county, last Thursday night and loosened the silver cord. Mr. Cobb was 87 years of age, and throughout his life had been one of Madison County's best citizens. He was active and energetic, popular and beloved by all of his neighbors. His wife died some three years ago, but four children survive him: The Hon. J. Tevis Cobb, C. W. Cobb of Red House, Mrs. W. H. Welch of Louisville, and Silas Cobb of San Diego, Cal. A daughter, Mrs. Eliza Huguley, died many years ago leaving three children, Mrs. M. R. Baxter, D. Tevis Huguley and Mrs. R. P. McCord.

Mr. Cobb was a member of the Methodist church, and was one of its exemplars. The funeral services were held at the home near Red House, and were conducted by Rev. E. G. B. Mann, thence his interment in the Richmond Cemetery on last Saturday. The remains were followed to the grave by a large concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives, the body was consigned to its final rest beneath a profusion of flowers.

Mr. Cobb was of a sunshiny temperament and retained the buoyancy of full life almost to the end.

The sweetest sympathy of friends is tendered to the bereaved children.

## WOMEN CAN VOTE

**Court of Appeals Decides That They Have the Right of Ballot**

**FOR SCHOOL TRUSTEES.**

The Court of Appeals last Thursday sustained the right of women to vote in the election of County Superintendent of Schools. Some of the Circuit Judges had held that they could do so and had ordered ballots prepared for them. In some of the counties the County Court Clerks had done so of their own initiation. A test case went up from Anderson county, and Judge Marshall was sustained in toto by the appellate court. He held that the women could vote in that race. The opinion was written by Chief Justice Hobson, and contains the following paragraph:

"If the Legislature should provide for the election of common school trustees by the people of the entire county, as it may do, these trustees might, with equal force be called county officers. It is a matter of no consequence by what name school officers are designated or by what authority their compensation is paid or which or whether they are elected from what may be called districts or county at large. It is the fact that they are school officers that brings them within the meaning of Section 155 of the Constitution and thereby excepts them from the operation of the other section relating to suffrage and elections."

This settles the case which was recently filed in our Circuit Court by Mrs. James Bennett on behalf of herself and others against County Clerk Terrill, to require him to prepare ballots for the female voters. Mr. Terrill had refused to do this, hence the suit brought by Mrs. Bennett who is represented in the case by Mr. Grant E. Lilly.

## Good Roads Meeting

There was held at Irvine last week a good roads meeting in preparation for the working of roads on the 24 and 25 instant, in pursuance to the proclamation of Gov. McCreary.

Judge O. W. Witt presided as master of ceremonies. The audience engaged in singing America.

Hon. John C. Kendall of West Liberty, representing the State Good Roads Commission was introduced, and paid some beautiful tributes to Estill county citizens, and made special reference to Judge Robt. Riddell and Judge H. C. Lilly, whom he said were two of the most able jurists ever produced by Eastern Kentucky.

He spoke convincingly of the advantages of good roads and the disadvantages of bad roads.

The meeting was an enthusiastic one and is a forerunner of better times in the free state.—Extracts from the Irvine Sun.

The half printed paper of the Jackson Times was taken by stealth from the office and thrown into the Kentucky river where it was found floating the next day. The paper contained some very hot political matter, and was taken from the river, dried and the edition was completed. Probably the hot matter in it assisted them in drying it out.

Mrs. Abert Heintz who a sister of State Railroad Commissioner W. F. Clair, died at Lexington Thursday afternoon of apoplexy.